व्यवस्था करना एक सतत प्रक्रिया है और मध्य प्रदेश में रेलवे स्टेशनों पर सम्हाले जा रहे यात्री यातायात की मात्रा के अनुसार सुविधाएं पहले ही मुहैया कर दी गई हैं।

उत्तर प्रदेश में अरबी मदरसों के आधुनिकीकरण हेतु धनराशि

3962. **श्री मोहम्मद मसूद खानः** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या 1995-96 के वित्त वर्ष के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश में अरबी मदरसों के आधुनिकीकरण हेतु जारी की गई धनराशि स्वीकृत मदरसों को आवंटित कर दी गई है;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो ऐसे मदरसों के नाम क्या हैं?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में शिक्षा विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुही राम सैकिया): (क) से (ग) उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य सरकार से सूचना एकत्रित की जा रही है।

CBI Raid on Parcel Staff at New Delhi Railway Station

3963. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some parcel staff working at New Delhi Railway Station were raided in the month of January, 1996, by CBI and a heavy amount of unaccounted money was recovered from them;

(b) if so, whether the concerned persons have been suspended;

(c) if not, the reasons for the delay; and

(d) whether the Ministry propose to transfer them out of Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) CBI raided the parcel office in Jan. 1996. However, no parcel office staff has been named in the FIR.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

National project on production, distribution and use of bio-fertilizers

3964. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any national project on the production, distribution and use of bio-fertilizers is being promoted by Government in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether the State of Gujarat has also been covered;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) what other measures are being initiated by Government to promote the use of bio-fertilizers in Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. To produce, distribute and promote the use of Bio-fertilizer in the country, a National Project and Technology Mission on Development & Use of Bio-fertilizer is being implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation at a total cost of Rs. 16.00 crores during the 8th Five Year Plan. Under the Scheme one National Bio-fertilizer Development Centre at Ghaziabad and six Regional Bio-fertilizer Development Centres—one each at Hissar, Bhubaneswar, Imphal, Bangalore, Jabalpur & Nagpur have been established. Besides, trainings, demonstrations and strengthening of BGA centres, there is a provision to provide financial assistance to the extent of Rs. 20.00 lakhs for purchase of equipment, glasswares and chemicals to State Governments/State Agro Industries Corporations/State Co-operatives/Public Sector Fertilizer Companies to set up Bio-fertilizer Production Units.

(c) to (e) The scheme is being implemented in the whole country including Gujarat State. Under the Scheme, an amount of Rs. 49.00 lakhs

has been provided to Government of Gujarat to set up Bio-fertilizer by M/s. Gujarat State Co-operative Marketing Federation, M/s. Gujarat State Fertilizer Company Ltd. and M/s. Krishak Bharti Co-operative Ltd. ICAR has identified suitable strains of Rhizobium for different pulses and oilseeds Corp. Mother culture has been supplied to the production units under State Government/Private Sector Agencies.

Cultivation of plants restricted for export

3965. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many of the 56 plants which have been restricted for exports without production of Certificate of Cultivation as per Public Notice 47 (PN) 92—97, Ministry of Commerce with effect from 25th March, 1996, are being cultivated in a large scale in many States;

(b) whether any statistics had been collected by the Ministry about the area of cultivation and availability of the individual plants before recommending issue of the Notification; and

(c) if so, whether the above statistical information will be made available for the perusal of the Members?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) and (b) The ban on export of 56 plant species and their parts and products has been imposed due to their declining status in the wild. However, if these plants are of cultivated origin, their export is permissible, subject to production of relevant documentation. Statistics about the cultivation and availability of these plants have not been collected by this Ministry, but it is hoped that this regulation will encourage their cultivation.

(c) Does not arise.

Announcement of purchase price of Wheat, Rice and other cereals

3966. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced the purchase price of wheat, rice and other cereals recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the criteria/basis therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) The per Qtl. Minimum Support Prices recently announced by Government are Rs. 380 for paddy (common), Rs. 395 for paddy (fine), Rs. 415 for paddy (superfine), Rs. 310 for coarse cereals (Jowar, bajra and ragi) and Rs. 320 for maize for the 1996-97 season. The Minimum Support Price announced earlier for wheat and barley by the Government is Rs. 380 per qtl. and Rs. 295 per qtl. respectively for the marketing season 1996-97.

(c) The Minimum Support Prices have been announced by taking into consideration the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices, the views of the State Governments and concerned Central Ministries and other relevant factors.

Inclusion of Farmers in Crop Insurance Scheme

3967. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are proposing to cover the farmers, other than the loanees, under the Crop Insurance Scheme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A proposal to modify the